

SECURITY INFORMATION

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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 152
29 June 1953

1. The following were present:

Mr. Clinton	State
Major Jacobson	Army
Capt. Norgaard	Navy
Lt. Stallings	Navy
Lt. Col. Rush	Air Force
	CIA (Vice-Chairman)

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2. Approval of FY 1954 Production Schedule

Copies of the proposed FY 1954 NIS Production Schedule were distributed for Committee consideration.

The Vice-Chairman called attention to the scheduling of one Chapter I (Map and Chart Appraisal) covering the combined Area 35-36 (India and Pakistan) and pointed out that since no previous authorization had been granted for combining these areas for Chapter IX a Committee decision on the matter was needed. He stated that the Coordinator for Chapter IX had informed him that all contributors to this element had agreed that the two areas should be treated in one study since most of the mapping programs in these areas were carried out before there was any division in the over-all area involved. Combined treatment would therefore, eliminate much duplication. The Committee approved the proposed combined treatment for NIS Chapter IX.

A number of changes were submitted by the State member and the Schedule was amended accordingly. The Committee then approved the revised FY 1954 NIS Production Schedule.

3. NIS Chapter I

The Committee discussed the problems presented by the scheduling for production in FY 1954 of all but one section of the Chapter I (Brief) on NIS Area 33 (Iran). There was general agreement that the Committee should take all possible steps to have this Chapter completed, and published at the earliest possible date.

The re-activation of the NIS Chapter I Sub-Committee was considered. However, the Navy member was of the opinion that a more expeditious procedure would be to have one IAC Agency prepare a draft of the entire Chapter I on Area 33 on a trial basis, and submit this draft for consideration of the other agencies. He proposed, tentatively, that Navy assume the responsibility for the preparation of such a draft, and that the other agencies be responsible for furnishing Navy with any significant new information which has become available since the cut-off dates of any Chapter II through IX elements produced by them. He stated that he wished to consult his agency before making a definite commitment for Navy to produce the Chapter I draft, and, subject to Navy's acceptance of this responsibility, the Committee agreed to his proposed plan.

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4. Production for June

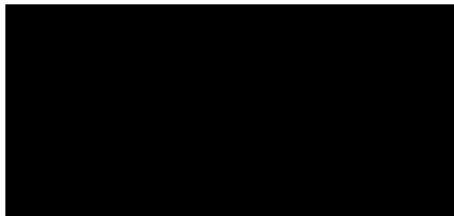
The Vice-Chairman announced that thus far in June a total of 37 of the 63 Sections needed to meet the JCS goal of 8 NIS per year had been received in D/B. The members reported the number of Sections which they expected to deliver during the balance of the month, which indicated that the total production for the year will exceed the JCS requirement.

5. Format for NIS on Areas requiring Special Treatment

The Air Force member stated that there still appeared to be some uncertainty as to the organization of an NIS Section on an area requiring special treatment because of some unusual situation which precluded treatment of the area as a whole. (Refer to NIS Committee Meeting No. 151, 4 June 1953). He stated that in discussion with D/B Editors on a Section on NIS Area 39 (China), the question was raised as to whether the Section should be organized with an "A. General" subsection covering both Communist and Nationalist China, followed by a "B" subsection on Communist China, and a "C" subsection on Nationalist China, or prepared in only two segments, "A" for Communist and "B" for Nationalist China, with a general presentation under each of these heads. Following discussion the Committee agreed that the latter was preferable, and adopted this format as standard for Sections requiring segmented treatment on an NIS Area.

6. The next meeting will be held at the call of the Vice-Chairman.

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